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Managing the SEN and Adult Fleet

- Maintaining an aging fleet within challenging budget constraints
- Implications for the 'O' license
- Tendering residual SEN/Adult
 Transport within a limited local market

Background to Blackpool's SEN/Adult Social Care Transport

- 73 Children's routes
 - of which 17 routes are delivered in-house
 - 12 of theses routes are accessible vehicles
- 17 Adults Social Care routes
 - of which 11 are delivered in-house
 - all 11 routes accessible vehicles
- 6 Rideability Routes
 - all delivered in-house
 - all accessible vehicles

Oldest Vehicle on Fleet



Maintaining an aging fleet within challenging budget constraints

- 17 Children's vehicles 2 Hire vehicle Average age of remainder 5 years
- 10 Adults Vehicles 2 Hire vehicles Average age of remainder 3.5 years
- 6 Rideability Vehicles Average age 7 years
- 2 Spare Vehicles Average age is 11 years

Coach Built Accessible Vehicle



Maintenance Issues with an ageing fleet

- Souring parts
- Poor fuel efficient
- under floor lifts
- Corrosion
- Electrical issues on newer vehicles

Newest Accessible Fleet



Implications for Operator Licence

- Awarding Contracts to Community Transport Organisation
- Contracts awarded to operators under Section 19 and 22 permits
- Public consultation to be launched autumn this year

Tendering residual SEN/Adult Transport within a limited local market

- Limited local PSV operators
- No local specialist vehicle operators
- Limited local taxis

Will this pass IVA regulations as a Passenger Vehicle?

